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TO: Secretary of State

NO: 470, June 18, 5 p.m.

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SENT DEPARTMENT 470, REPEATED INFORMATION GUATEMALA CITY, SALG UNNUMBERED

Honduran Foreign Minister 4:45 today called at Embassy to tell me he had just received code message from Honduran Charge Guatemala that Guatemalan Government to launch immediate military invasion Honduras. Minister had message with him and said he was on his way to show it to President Galvez.

Minister asked my opinion what would be United States reaction if above message true. I said our two countries have treaties and my Embassy has radio. (Had in mind, of course, Article 3, Inter-American Treaty Reciprocal Assistance.) Recommend Department be considering appropriate action depending upon further developments.

Minister added he had received telegram from Toriello protesting activities Castillo Armas in Honduras. Said he recommending to President issuance some statement chastising Castillo.

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